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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Application No. 10/015,816 Technology Center 2173

Mailed: February 10, 2009

Before DELORES LOWE, Review Team Paralegal LOWE, Review Team Paralegal.

#### ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 21, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

### **EXAMINER'S CONSIDERATION OF REPLY BRIEF**

A Reply Brief was filed in this application on January 16, 2008. There is no evidence on the record indicating that the Examiner has considered the Reply Brief in accordance with 37 CFR § 41.43(a)(1) and MPEP § 1208, part II.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) consider the Reply Brief filed January 16, 2008 as indicated above; and
  - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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